er in his last paper : The last time I ran home over the hicago, Burlington and Quincy we ad a very small but select and enterining party on the train. It was a day, and everybody was tired ith the long ride and oppressed by the heat. The precise woman, with her swathed in an immense blue veil, no always parsed her sentences before e uttered them, utterly worn out and roughly lonesome, was glad to re-nd to the pleasant nod of the big gh man who got on at Monmouth, didn't know enough grammar to k for the mustard so that you could Il whether he wanted you to pass it to im or pour it on his hair. The thin, oubled-looking man with the sandy ee, who stammered so dreadfully at he always forgot what he wanted a say before he got through wrestling ith any word with a "W" in it, lit up ith a tremulous, hesitating smile as a noticed this indication of sociability, r like most men who find it extremely cult to talk at all, he wanted to talk I the time. And the fat old gentlean sitting opposite him, who was so eaf he couldn't hear the cars rattle, ad always awed and bothered the stamerer into silence by saying "Hey?" in very imperative tone, every time he of in the middle of a hard word, cocked is irascible head on one side as he saw is smile, and after listening intently ad silence for a minute, suddenly roke out with such an emphatic, im-atient "Hey?" that everybody in the started up and shouted, nervously nd ungrammatically, "I didn't say othing!" with the exception of the man with the blue veil, who said, "I

The fat old gentleman was a little anoyed and startled by such a chorus of esponses, and fixing his gaze still more ntly upon the thin man, said, defi-y, "Wha' say?"

ntly, "Wha' say?"
"I-I-I I w-w-wuh-wuh-wuh-wasn'asn'—I wasn' s-s-sp—speak—"
"Hey?" roared the fat man,
"He wa'n't sayin' nauthin'," shouted

aint opened his mouth !" "Soap in the South?" queried the told man, impatiently. "Wha' for?" "Mouth, mouth," explained the pre-

" Offers to chew' what?" cried the on't ch-ch-ch-

"Hey?" shouted the fat gentleman. g rough man, in a voice that made car windows rattle. "He wa'n't a two dollars.

woman. "No person has left e train.' "Then wha' d' he say so for ?" shout-

the fat man.
"Oh!" said the thin man, in a sur-ising burst of fluency, "He-he-he d-

'Who did?" queried the fat man, lking louder than any one else.
"Num-num-num-num-n-no-nobody

ade to the departure of any person om the train, when you interrupted m in the midst of an unfinished sen-Billings choked up ice, and hence obtained an erroneous

Know a fence!" roared the fat man, of course I know a fence!"
"He hain't got middlin' good hear-," yelled the big rough man, as apolretically as a steam whistle could be shricked it; y'ears kind of stuffed

'Time to brush up?" cried the fat an; "wha' for?"
"No," shrieked the precise woman;

he remarked to the other gentleman at your hearing appeared to be rather 'His father a detective!" hooted the

gentleman in amazement. N-n-n-n-nun-nun-no!" broke in the n man; "h-h-h-h-huh-huh-he s-s-said-said you w-w-wuh-was a little dud nd—was a little deaf!"
"Said I was a thief!" howled the fat

'Now," shouted the big rough man,

"Hey?" roared the fat man, in an

rplosion of indignant suspicion.
"I was sayin'," howled the big rough an, "as how he didn't talk middlin'

"Should say so," growled the fat an, in tones of intense satisfaction. "And," the big rough man went on, "Can't hear !" the fat old gentleman

roke out in a resonant roar. "Can't ear! Like to know why I can't bear? hy can't I? If I couldn't hear better me if I can't. I'd like to know

"Burlington !" yelled the brakeman.

ven' mints f' supper !" And but for this timely interruption, de of San Francisco.

riting from here over the nom de composed of different chemicals and ume of "Claire" who is a very effecte and able writer, and possesses the uch prized merit of condensation. ariton Patriot.

Bill Arp, of Georgia.

Mr. Carlton introduced us at his store, under the Fifth Avenue. Josh was a settin' there about half asleep. I thought he was a Methodist ex orter. Mr. Carlton, says he to me: "Arp— Major Arp—allow me to introduce you to Col. Billings—Josh Billings. Col. Bil-

lings, Major Arp, from Georgy."
Seating myself, I boked at Josh and
Josh looked at me. He never said
nothin' and I never said nothin' for I still took him for an ex'orter. After a good long minute he opened his mouth solem'ly and said:

"Say something. "Something?" said I; for I had just spotted him and was looking as solem' as possible,

"When you fled from the foul inva-der you had a steer with a knot in his tail," said he. tail," said ne.
"Yes," said I.

" Is he well?" said he. " As well as could be expected, cousiderin'" said I.

"Considerin' what?" said he.
"He is dead," said I.
Billings sighed, and, wiping his eye, said, with much feeling:

"Hence these steers."

Just then Mr. Carlton called us to the door to see a balloon sailing away with a balloonatic in it. We looked at it as long as we could see it. After awhile it drifted clear out of sight and we sat down to ruminate. Billings sighed again and the corners of his mouth drooped very low. Said he: "The like of that makes me very sad.

Thirty years ago I embarked upon life's uncertain sea-not the wet sea shore enuf but the dry land. I started West with \$4 and a good carakter-which is to say there were no indictments agin' me; I wasn't a runnin' away from nothin'. I went on an explorin' expedition like Columbus and Sir John Franklin-an experimental survey of the face of the earth. I traveled afoot—that is a good many feet—in fact a few hundred miles and got out of money and expedients about the same time-way off at e big rough man, nodding friendly a little town in Indiana.

"My natural aversion to muscular ouragement to the thin man; " he exercise had about brought me to the verge of bankruptcy when I spied a crowd moving round in the suburbs. There I found a little dried-up Italian going round with a hat trying to make se woman, with impressive nicety, going round with a hat trying to make He said 'opened his mouth.' The up ten dollars. He said he could go up the dollars. He said he could go up to less in the least for that sum and no less in the least for that sum and no less in the least for that sum and no less in the least for that sum and no less in the least for that sum and no less in the least for the said he less than the least for the less than the le ntleman seated directly opposite you in his balloon for that sum and no less. The crowd hesitated, and talked and langhed and joked, but they didn't t old gentleman, in amazement.

"Sir," said the precise woman, "I sad and discouraged, and was about to give it up when I suddenly discovered by Satan, and this made a strong give it up when I suddenly discovered by Satan, and this made a strong give it up when I suddenly discovered by Satan, and this made a strong give it up when I suddenly discovered to him pression upon Mrs. Freeman.

"Many form desprey I whispered to him asked Mrs. Fisk, pleadingly, and contribute. The little fellow looked The thin man took courage from so any reinforcements, and broke in, "I-11 d d-d-dud-dud-dud-dud-don't-don't, I on't checken by "I on the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the tears streaming down her checks, whether the tear of the checken by "I on the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the checken by "I on the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the courage from so and asked if he would give me all over the course from the course said he. Seizing the hat, I grew elo-"He don't chaw nauthin'!" roared the got everybody in good humor, and in forgave where there was true repentabout five minutes had raked in twenty-

"The rotten old balloon was fired up "Who got off?" exclaimed the fat old in a twinkling. I helped to fire it—and in a twin but I felt gaily and was bound to give

him a lively send off. "When we cut the ropes he shot up like a sky rocket; in less than a minute he was about a mile up in the blue ethereal vault. It was a calm, still day as you ever see, and he went up so straight it almost broke our necks to look at him. Up and up and up he went until the balloon was a bare speck body. He he d-d-d-dud-didn't didn' in the sky-and higher and higher it went until the speck was gone, and not

'Then wha' made you say he did ?" even a sky glass could find it.

Billings choked up and sobbed a little as he remarked: "I've got his pression of the tenor of his remarks, part of the twenty-two dollars, but if he's ever heard of I'll pay it to him and three per cent interest—I will g'pon honor—Arp, let's step round and take somethin'—I'm feelin' so sad."—Detroit

> The Mohammedan Notion of a Religious Festival.

A correspondent of the Columbus (O.) State Journal, writing from Cairo, Egypt, of the Mohammedan festival which closes the ten days rejoicing that follow the return of the Mecca pilgrims, "At 12 o'clock all the recently SHYS: returned Mecca pilgrims gather at one of the mosques, and then march, thousands of them, men and boys (no women), with their pilgrimage banners and their rag. Thousands of them, some well-dressed and quiet, others half naked and wild with excitement, waving their arms, or banners, or naked swords to the clergy has been generally called to the tragedy, and many sermons have been preached upon it in Providence, Boston, Lawrence, Lynn, Springfield, Worcester and other cities, women), with their pilgrimage banners an, a scarlet tornado of wrath, "said I their arms, or banners, or naked swords in the air; some praying loudly, some m to me! Who says I'm a thief! Who strong drink, racca,) were foaming at alist—preached upon it on Sunday of the mouth, held up and dragged slong last week. Dr. Parker boldly said that aboddy don't say ye ain t no thief. I st sayed as how we didn't git along by their companions. Then a lot wilder than the others appeared, and riding behind them the Sheikh of their sect, who was to perform the crowning feat of "Wh-wh-why c-can't he t-t-t-tut-the day. At a certain point on the road that talk?" broke in the thin man, this sect, two or three hundred of them, animated pavement over which he was forced to tread, but champed his bit, seemed nervous and excited, and walked rapidly. Can you imagine anything more horrible! The Mohammedans pretend that the faithful are never injured, or rather that the horse does not touch them at all. Some of the men and boys elling with delight at having made the department of the men and boys were in spasms, or swooned through injury and excitement. These are immediately carried out of sight and no mediately carried out of sight and no report is ever made of accident or physical damage."

A patent has just been issued to Miss is half the people on this train, I'd Harriet G. Hosmer by the United States at off my ears! Can't hear? It's news Patent Office for her process of making artificial marble, regarding which so much has been said. The claims set forth that limestone, or other like sub-stance, including alabaster stone, may be given the appearance and uniform hardness throughout of natural marble don't think our pleasant little party bardness throughout of the application ould have got out of that snarl this in its various colors by the application of the state of the of moist heat or heat in the form of steam, in combination with a bath of The Hawkeye has a correspondent slum and water, or with various baths

> Religion is the best armor in the world, but the worst cloak.

The Pocasset Sacrifice.

Dr. Munsell, the Medical Examiner of Barnstable county, Mass., has been watching Charles F. Freeman very closely, especially since Freeman's re-moval from the barn-like jail to the new structure, but he has been unable to detect any of the usual physical symptoms of insanity, either developed or incipient. Freeman was greatly pleased when he was put into the new jail, and even his wife, whom nothing has aroused from her melancholy, was glad to get away from the loft in which she had been confined. Freeman has been especially interested in the religious discussion which the killing of his little daughter has provoked. He still holds with pertinacity to his belief that he was called by God to do the act, and that some great good is to come of it yet. To Dr. Munsell he is reported as having said a day or two ago that it was possible that what God intended was a great religious awakening. He professes to prefer to be convicted, and even hanged, rather than to be acquitted on the ground of insanity. He is said to have affirmed repeatedly that he knew perfectly well before the act, and said to have affirmed repeatedly that he knew perfectly well before the act, and realizes just as well now, the responsioility that he was taking, but adds that as a faithful Christian he was constrained to sacrifice his child.

Freeman was told, it is said, that the account of his act, printed in the Sun, had been telegraphed to the newspapers in England and France, and he seemed to view this as only the working out of the mysterious purpose that compelled him to kill little Edith. He sleeps soundly, eats well, and takes much interest in the ordinary affairs of life. Since his imprisonment he has allowed

his full beard to grow. But Mrs. Freeman still sorrows, and is apparently pining away. She has admitted that she believed the act was the result of a mistaken faith, but she insists that neither she nor her husband was guilty of any crime. The recent etter to a sister, which has been published, has been commented on by a number of clergymen as not the least remarkable manifestation of this mysterious tragedy. She speaks of Elijah, Elisha and Christ raising the dead, and still insists that after the deed was done she and her husband had perfect faith that the child would be raised to them. But as the days passed and there were no manifestations, her heart failed, and now she knows they did wrong.

Mrs. Freeman found comfort in a recent conversation she had with Mrs. Fisk, who has charge of the eldest child. Mrs. Fisk suggested that she might have been tempted as Christ was by Satan, and this made a strong imquent. I let fly my homely wit and and Mrs. Fisk replied that God always

that remark Mrs. Freeman seemed to and the life of her living child are the only matters that now concern her. She does not want little Bessie brought to see her. She thought the surroundto see her. She thought the surroundings would terrify the child. But she kinds at very reasonable rates and takes just gave minute directions regarding Bessie, her school life, her dresses, her companions and her religious instruction. Bessie does not vet know that Market St., San Francisco. tion. Bessie does not yet know that her sister Edith is dead.

The Second Adventists in Pocasset owled the deaf man.

"You misunderstand him," interprised the precise woman; "he was robably about to remark that no reference whatever had been intentionally add to the departure of any person of the dead straight to heaven. May the Lord the man when French which the widespread horror of Freeman's act has created. They are as meek and passive now as children. All that they say is, "We can't understand it." The feeble Foster Howard, one of the elders of the Pocasset church, the man when Freench which the widespread horror of Freeman's act has created. They are as meek and passive now as children. All that they say is, "We can't understand it." The feeble Foster Howard, one of the elders of the Pocasset church, the man when Freench which the widespread horror of Freeman's act has created. They are as meek and passive now as children. act, sits day after day in his kitchen, often with his Bible open in his lap, pondering. His faith was so strong that Edith would be raised that he has not yet recovered from the shock that the undisturbed grave has given him.

have faith sufficient we may say to a mountain, 'Be removed,' and it is done. Our faith was equal to that, and yet our faith does not avail."

It is possible that the Second Adventists may hold the camp meeting, beginning June 15, as they intended, because public indignation has gone, and sympathy, or rather pity, has taken its place. But they can not have the grove on Buzzard's Bay shore, and Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Freeman's mother, has

offered them a grove on her farm. Throughout New England the atten-In Hartford three clergymen-the Rev. Dr. Sage, Baptist, the Rev. Dr. Parker he doubted whether the Abrahamie Dr. Sage argued as strongly that it should be so read. - N. Y. Sun.

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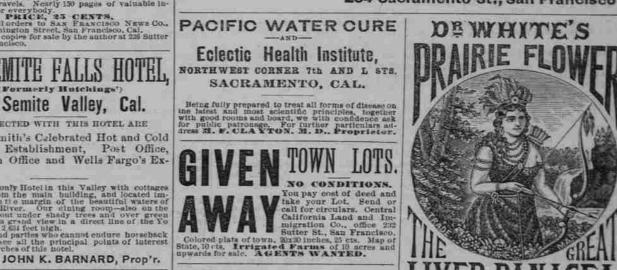
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